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## **R277. Education, Administration.**

### **R277-509. Licensure of Student Teachers and Interns.**

#### **R277-509-[2]1. Authority and Purpose.**

~~[A.](1)~~ This rule is authorized ~~[under]~~ by:

~~(a)~~ Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3, ~~[of the Utah Constitution]~~ which vests general ~~[authority]~~ control and supervision ~~[of]~~ over public education in the Board~~[-]~~;

~~(b)~~ Section 53A-1-401, which allows the Board to make rules to execute the Board's duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law;

~~(c)~~ Subsection~~[s]~~ 53A-6-104(1), which permits the Board to issue licenses for educators~~[-]~~; and

~~(d)~~ Subsection 53A-6-401(3), which directs the ~~[Utah State Office of Education]~~ Board to establish a procedure for obtaining and evaluating relevant information about license applicants~~[- and Section 53A-1-401(3) which allows the Board to adopt rules in accordance with its responsibilities]~~.

~~[B.](2)~~ The purpose of this rule is to specify the procedure under which the Board issues licenses to student teachers and interns.

#### **R277-509-[1]2. Definitions.**

~~[A. "Board" means the Utah State Board of Education.]~~

~~[B.](1)~~ "Cooperating teacher" means a licensed teacher employed by an LEA who is qualified to directly supervise a student teacher or intern during the period the student teacher or intern is assigned to the LEA.

~~[C.](2)(a)~~ "Intern" means a teacher education student, who, in an advanced stage of preparation, usually as a culminating experience, may be employed in a school setting for a period of up to one year and receive salary proportionate to the service rendered.

~~(b)~~ An intern is supervised primarily by the school system ~~[but with]~~ while maintaining a continuing relationship with college personnel ~~[and following]~~ as part of a planned program designed to produce a demonstrably competent professional.

~~[D.](3)~~ "LEA" ~~[means a local education agency, including local school boards/public school districts, charter schools, and,]~~ includes, for purposes of this rule, the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.

~~[E.](4)~~ "Student teacher" means a college student preparing to teach who is assigned a period of guided teaching during which the student assumes increasing responsibility for directing the learning of a group or groups of students over a period of time.

#### **R277-509-3. Issuing Licenses.**

~~[A.](1)~~ The ~~[Board]~~ Superintendent shall ~~[issue]~~ recommend applicants enrolled in teacher preparation programs for [S]tudent [T]eacher or [I]ntern licenses ~~[to students enrolled in teacher preparation programs]~~.

~~[B. The Board shall provide a process for timely review by UPPAC of background check information and shall provide adequate due process for student teachers and interns in the licensing process.]~~

~~———(1) The Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC) shall receive and review background information about student teachers and interns.]~~

(2) The Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission shall review background

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check information and make recommendations to the Board regarding student teacher and intern license applicants in accordance with Rule R277-214.

~~[(2) Student teachers and interns shall have student teacher licenses issued by the Board prior to assignment in public schools.~~

~~— (3) UPPAC shall review student teacher license applications and make recommendations for their approval by the Board.~~

~~— (4) UPPAC shall not recommend student teachers or interns to complete student teaching or intern assignments while student teachers or interns are under court supervision of any kind.]~~

(3)(a) An LEA may not give a student teacher or intern an unsupervised classroom assignment prior to issuance of a license in accordance with this Rule R277-509.

(b) If an LEA assigns a student teacher or intern to a position in violation of Subsection (3)(a), the Superintendent shall not recognize the service as fulfilling the student teacher's or intern's requirements for Level 1 licensure.

(c) An LEA is responsible to verify with the Board that a student teacher or intern has appropriate licensure.

~~[(5)4] A [F] teacher preparation programs may allow an unlicensed student teacher[s] or intern[s not approved by UPPAC] to complete student teaching or intern hours only if the university provides a constant supervisor for the student teacher's or intern's work in the public schools.~~

~~[C:] (5)(a) [A license is issued only to] The Superintendent may only recommend for licensure a student teacher[s] or intern[s] assigned to elementary, middle, or secondary schools under cooperating teachers for part of their preparation program.~~

(b) A supervising administrator must be permanently assigned to the building to which an intern is assigned.

~~[D:] (6) A [S] student [F] teacher or [f] intern license is valid only [in the LEA specified and] for the period of time indicated on the license.~~

#### **[R277-509-4. LEA Requirements.**

~~— A. An LEA may not accept or assign student teachers or interns who do not possess a Utah Student Teacher or Intern license. The service of persons so assigned is not recognized by the Board as fulfilling an intern or student teaching requirement for licensure.~~

~~— B. It is the responsibility of the LEA to verify that potential student teachers or interns are appropriately licensed.]~~

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